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Dear Henry,

Glad to hear from you. Presume PW carried the notice of the reprinting of Photo WW. I have not seen it.

There has been some kind of mechanical delay not explained to me. The printing will be fast enough but I've not yet gone over the blues. When I was in Washington two days ago on FOIA mattersI had a call saying they'd been mailed. Not in today's mail. If there are no typos the ppinting, I presume, will be only a couple of days behind schedule. When the copies reach me I'll send you one. I think you'll be interested in what I've added otherwise I'd recommend against your getting it.

If with New Guard or other publications you've not had the experience the blues are proofs, looking like blueprints.

I'm inclined to believe that the delay was from the difficulty of making masters for the cover. Thex original printer did not return them, that is the origonal art work.

On the new committee and in confidence, I've broken up, with the best work by Jim Lesar, some of their original disinformation operations. It appears these will not end. In part this is because the conservatives will be bitter-ending FBI aides.

Lane appears to be running the show now, with the hurt I hope you know enough to have perceived. He will wreck them in the end. I've had several meetings with Sprague, none with any Member, and none on my initiative. Several with staffers, too. Not impressed to unfavorably impressed with the few I've been with.

Their story on the destruction of evidence was baseless as it relates to assassination evidence and quite unfair to the FBI, whose defender I'm not. Lane again.

I don't know if I'll be testifying. I've not been asked.

As of now I expect nothing good of this committee or its Members regardless of their beliefs or political views.

What am I doing? I'm staying too busy in FOIA cases. Successfully by slowly.

As I recall the price on the new edition of PW is $8.00, $8.75 by insured mail.

If you see any stories on the new committee in the conservative publications I'd appreciate copies. Any for that matter. After I started this I heard from a Los Angeles reporter, a good one with conservative ownership, that Lane's LA tribe claims he is responsible for Sprague's appointment. If you'd be interested in following this up for a story I'll be glad to ask my soruce if he'll talk to you. I know his source, a pal and collegaue of Lane's and even worse as a human being.

Best regards,